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Identical letters dated 5 August 2009 from the Permanent Representative of Georgia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to transmit the statement of the Parliament of Georgia on the illegal entry of the President of the Russian Federation, Mr. Dimitri Medvedev, into the Georgian territory occupied by Russia (see annex).

I should be grateful if the present letter and its annex could be circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 13, and of the Security Council.

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Statement of the Parliament of Georgia on the illegal entry of the President of the Russian Federation, Dimitri Medvedev, into the Georgian territory occupied by Russia

16 July 2009

1. The Parliament of Georgia condemns the entry of the President of the Russian Federation, Dimitri Medvedev, into the Georgian territory occupied by Russia as an illegal crossing of the Georgian state border, a step towards final annexation of the occupied Georgian territories and an attempt at legitimization of ethnic cleansing carried out by the Russian Federation.

2. The Parliament of Georgia condemns the blocking of extension of the United Nations and OSCE missions in Georgia by the Russian Federation, which is part of the policy of minimizing international presence in the occupied territories and allowing implementation of aggressive intentions of the Russian Federation.

3. Deployment of the Russian Federal Security Service Border Forces on the so-called borders of the occupied Georgian territories is an attempt at legalizing the de facto "border" established through military occupation infringing basic norms of international law.

4. The Parliament of Georgia condemns the conduct of aggressive, large-scale military exercises in close vicinity of Georgian borders in the summer of 2009, similar to the period preceding the 2008 aggression, as directly threatening the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Georgia.

5. The Parliament of Georgia notes that an attempt by the Russian Federation to annex Georgian territory through military occupation and ethnic cleansing represents a threat not only to the sovereignty of Georgia but to that of the region and Europe at large.

6. The above-mentioned acts are in breach of fundamental norms of international law as well as the Russian Federation commitments, including the declarations of the Budapest (1994), Lisbon (1996) and Istanbul (1999) summits of the OSCE Heads of State and resolutions of Heads of Government of the CIS; United Nations Security Council resolutions 849 (1993), 854 (1993), 858 (1993), 876 (1993), 881 (1993), 892 (1993), 896 (1994), 901 (1994), 906 (1994), 934 (1994), 937 (1994), 971 (1995), 993 (1995), 1036 (1996), 1065 (1996), 1096 (1997), 1124 (1997), 1150 (1998), 1187 (1998), 1225 (1999), 1255 (1999), 1287 (2000), 1311 (2000), 1339 (2001), 1364 (2001), 1393 (2002), 1427 (2002), 1462 (2003), 1494 (2003), 1524 (2004), 1554 (2004), 1582 (2005), 1615 (2005), 1656 (2006), 1666 (2006), 1716 (2006), 1752 (2007), 1781 (2007) and 1808 (2008); United Nations General Assembly resolution 62/249 of 15 May 2008 and other resolutions; the Charter of the United Nations; the Helsinki Final Act of 1975; Russia-European Union agreements; resolutions 1633 and 1647 of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe.

7. The Parliament of Georgia calls upon the international community to:

7.1 Give adequate legal assessment to the illegal entry of the President of the Russian Federation to the occupied Georgian territory;

7.2 Demand that the Russian Federation carry out de-occupation of the occupied territories;

7.3 Demand that the Russian Federation fully implement the European Union-brokered Ceasefire Agreement;

7.4 Demand that the Russian Federation reverse results of ethnic cleansing;

7.5 Start work towards the deployment of an international policing force on the Georgian territory occupied by the Russian Federation;

7.6 Demand that the Russian Federation grant access to the European Union monitors on the occupied territories;

7.7 Demand that the Russian Federation withdraw recognition of the occupied Georgian territories;

7.8 Demand that the Russian Federation refrain from actions threatening the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Georgia or other neighbouring countries of the Russian Federation.